GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:275
ANSWERED ON:22.03.2005
UNIVERSALIZATION OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the year by which the Government would achieve the target of universalisation of elementary education;

(b) the steps taken and progress achieved in this direction so far;

(c) the reasons for failure in achieving parity between the girls and boys for admitting them in schools by the year 2005;

(d) the time by which this objective is likely to be achieved;

(e) whether there is any plan to constitute a National Commission for Education;

(f) if so, the details thereof;

(g) whether the Government has received any proposals for enhancing the Central grant under the above scheme;

(h) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereon;

(i) whether the funds allocated to States during the last three years have been utilized; and

(j) if so, details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH)

(a) to (j) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 275 FOR 22-03-2005 ASKED BY SHRI PRABHUNATH SINGH AND DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY REGARDING UNIVERSALIZATION OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

(a) Centrally sponsored scheme of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan aims to achieve Universal Elementary Education by the year 2010.

(b) Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Mid Day Meal and Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya are the main schemes being implemented to achieve Universal Elementary Education. Gross Enrolment Ratio for the year 2002-03 for Primary (Class I-V) and Elementary (Class I-VIII) stages was 95.4% and 82.5% respectively.

(c) Gender Gap in Gross Enrolment Ratio at the Elementary stage has declined significantly from 22 percentage points in 1992-93 to 6.1 percentage points in 2002-03.

(d) Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan aims to bridge gender gap at Primary and Elementary Stages by 2007 and 2010, respectively.

(e) Setting up of a National Commission on Education is being examined.

(g) & (h) Central Plan allocation for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan in 2004-05 has been increased from Rs. 3057 crores to Rs. 5079 crores.

(i) & (j) State-wise funds allocated and utilized under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan during the last three years are given in the Annexure.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO, IN THE STATEMENT LAID ON THE TABLE OF THE HOUSE IN REPLY TO PARTS (i) AND (j) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 275 FOR ANSWER ON 22-03-2005

Amount of Central grants released and total expenditure under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan from 2001-02 to 2003-04

Sl. No.	Name of the State	Grants released to states and Total Expenditure incurred by them (against central and state share during 2001-02 to 2003-04 under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan	
		Grants released by Central Government (Rupees in lakhs)	Total Expenditure against Central and State Share # (Rupees in lakhs)
1	Andhra Pradesh	20395.18	26420.17
2	Assam	22647.49	27156.7
3	Arunachal Pradesh	5560.52	1454.46
4	Bihar	30395.645	28141.82
5	Chhattisgarh	10637.95	10040.99
6	Goa ##	0	0
7	Gujarat	27750.54	25929.3
8	Haryana	9996.44	11522.86
9	Himachal Pradesh	7932.23	9112.65
10	Jammu & Kashmir	7430.21	7926.82
11	Jharkhand	15391.26	15338.83
12	Karnataka	21501.18	23186.3
13	Kerala	8298.01	9439.23
14	Madhya Pradesh	49145.97	46878
15	Maharashtra	36345.08	46579.26
16	Manipur	609.93	0
17	Meghalaya	2394.73	2920.33
18	Mizoram	2518.22	1603.5
19	Nagaland	1049.835	186.33
20	Orissa	18843.99	18473.62
21	Punjab	17069.825	18797.28
22	Rajasthan	25942.93	26997.1
23	Sikkim	794.92	825.61
24	Tamil Nadu	26993.67	35407.36
25	Tripura	4406.1389	5325.19
26	Uttaranchal	6809.47	8422.97
27	Uttar Pradesh	61952.03	76717.54
28	West Bengal	29234.63	22094.21
29	A & N Islands	296.64	433.11
30	Chandigarh	224.54	196.98
31	Dadra & N. Haveli	447.42	1.21
32	Daman & Diu	12	12
33	Delhi	2120.89	515
34	Lakshadweep	48.29	0
35	Pondicherry	305.89	139.22
Total		475503.6939	508195.95

Funds available with States for SSA include the State share released by the State Government in addition to the Central grants.

Goa is yet to submit proposals for Central assistance under SSA.